

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. NO.: 2897-02
BILL NO.: HB 1212
SUBJECT: Prohibits Acquisition, Sale, or Transfer of Fetal Tissue
TYPE: Original
DATE: January 5, 2000

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
None			
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
None			
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General, Office of State Courts Administrator, Office of Prosecution Services, Department of Health** assume that this proposal will not fiscally affect their agencies.

Officials from the **Office of Prosecution Services (SPD)** stated that for the purpose of this proposal, the SPD has assumed that existing staff could provide representation for those 5 to 10 cases arising where indigent persons were charged with acquiring, receiving, selling or transferring fetal tissue, organs or body parts of a fetus or an unborn child. However, passage of more than one similar proposal would require the SPD to request increased appropriations to cover cumulative costs of representing the indigent accused in the additional cases.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol** did not respond to our request for fiscal impact. **Oversight** assumes this proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	\$0	\$0	\$0

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

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DESCRIPTION

This proposal makes it a class C felony to sell fetal body parts. The crime is committed when a person intentionally acquires, receives, sells or transfers, or trades or barter fetal tissue, organs, or body parts of aborted children. The proposal contains a provision clarifying that the legislation does not pertain to tests and pathological examinations of in utero or in vitro fertilization and accompanying embryo transfer.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Attorney General
Office of State Courts Administrator
Office of Prosecution Services
Office of State Public Defender
Department of Health

NOT RESPONDING: Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeanne Jarrett".

Jeanne Jarrett, CPA
Director
January 5, 2000